

**Subject:** Re: Additions to the Agenda  
**From:** Wallis Locke <wallis@southpark.la>  
**Date:** 5/16/18, 3:44 PM  
**To:** Ellen Riotto <ellen@southpark.la>

So that's a no... "dire emergency" is quite the standard.

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**From:** Ellen Riotto <ellen@southpark.la>  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 3:42 PM  
**To:** Carol Humiston <chumiston@bglawyers.com>  
**Cc:** Wallis Locke <wallis@southpark.la>  
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Understood. Sounds like it's not worth it. Thanks for the info.

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**From:** Carol Humiston <chumiston@bglawyers.com>  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 3:26 PM  
**To:** Ellen Riotto <ellen@southpark.la>  
**Subject:** RE: Additions to the Agenda

Hi Ellen,

Are you referring to this statement on that agenda:

1. Preliminary Matters 1.1 Additions to Agenda (as required by Gov. Code 54954.2)

If so, I presume they are referring to California Government Code § 54954.2**(b)**. I suppose a water district might have circumstances that would permit an item for consideration not on the agenda, but it is pretty hard to meet the standard.

Your Board may discuss a non-agenda item at a regular meeting if, by majority vote of the Board (or upon a determination by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board present at the meeting, or, if less than two-thirds of the members

are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the local agency subsequent to the agenda being posted), the Board determines that the item in question constitutes an “emergency.” An emergency is a crippling activity, work stoppage, or other activity which impairs public health, safety or both. If there is a dire emergency, defined as a crippling disaster, mass destruction, terrorist act, or threatened terrorist activity, etc., you still need to give telephone notice, at least one hour before the meeting, to all media entities that have requested to receive notice of any special meeting.

I can go into further details if you need it, but “emergency” is hard to meet, and if there is a “dire emergency,” I would suggest you get out of town and not hold a meeting at all. But you can put it on your agenda, just please be very, very, very cautious in using it.

Carol

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**From:** Ellen Riotto <ellen@southpark.la>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 16, 2018 3:02 PM  
**To:** Carol Humiston <chumiston@bglawyers.com>  
**Subject:** FW: Additions to the Agenda

Hi Carol,

I'm wondering if we might be able to include a standard line on our agendas that would essentially allow us to add last minute items. The link below is an example from a local water district.

Let me know your thoughts!

Ellen

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**From:** Wallis Locke <[wallis@southpark.la](mailto:wallis@southpark.la)>  
**Date:** Monday, May 14, 2018 at 3:48 PM  
**To:** Ellen Riotto <[ellen@southpark.la](mailto:ellen@southpark.la)>  
**Subject:** Additions to the Agenda

I can't remember if we ever asked Carol about adding this. [Here](#) is a link to one of Dan's agendas - it includes the relevant section of code.

If we're good to go I'll add it to the agenda templates!

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